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For: **LONGITUDINALLY ACTIVATED COMPRESSION SEALING DEVICE FOR  
ELONGATE MEMBERS AND METHODS FOR USING THE SAME**

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